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FM AMEMBASSY LISBON

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SUBJ: KHMER AT 29TH UNGA: PORTUGAL

REF: NOV 22 SCHALLER - THOMAS TELCON

1. IN REFTELCON EMBASSY REPORTED THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY
DIRECTOR GENERAL MAGALHAES CRUZ HAD INFORMED EMBASSY FOLLOWING
REPRESENTATIONS BY DCM THAT PORTUGAL HAS AT OUR REQUEST CHANGED
ITS POSITION ON KHMER ISSUE AND WOULD NOW VOTE WITH US ON
PROCEDURE AND SUBSTANCE RATHER THAN ABSTAIN AS HAD BEEN THEIR
PREFERENCE.

2. AT 1100 LOCAL NOV 23, CRUZ CALLED EMBASSY TO REPORT THAT AT
MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS LAST NIGHT DECISION HAD
BEEN TAKEN TO GO BACK TO POSITION OF ABSTENTION. REASONS GIVEN
WERE THAT WESTERN BLOC WAS NOT UNANIMOUS (PORTUGAL HAS FRANCE,
NORWAY, SWEDEN, FINLAND, AND AUSTRIA ABSTAINING) AND PORTUGAL'S
DESIRE TO MAINTAIN FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THIRD WORLD.

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3. AMBASSADOR HAS SPOKEN TO CRUZ (WHO CLEARLY UNHAPPY WITH GOP

DECISION) AND EMPHASIZED SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WASHINGTON
WILL VIEW PORTUGAL'S CHANGE OF HEART. CRUZ RECOMMENDED THAT
AMBASSADOR TALK WITH SOARES ON HIS RETURN FROM KINSHASA MONDAY.

4. EMBASSY NOW CONSIDERING NEXT MOVE. OPTIONS ARE TO RAISE IT
WITH PRIME MINISTER OR PRESIDENT HERE OR TO ASK EMBASSY
KINSHASA TO SPEAK WITH SOARES THERE, ASSUMING DEBATE STILL
SCHEDULED TO BEGIN MONDAY.
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